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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Foreign-Trade Zones Board

[Docket 35-97]

Foreign-Trade Zone 143—Sacramento, California Area; Foreign-Trade Subzone 143A—C. Ceronix, Inc.; Application for Expansion

An application has been submitted to the Foreign-Trade Zones Board (the Board) by the Sacramento-Yolo Port District, grantee of FTZ 143, requesting authority to expand Subzone 143A at the gaming/recreational machine video monitor manufacturing plant of C. Ceronix, Inc., in Auburn, California. The application was submitted pursuant to the provisions of the Foreign-Trade Zones Act, as amended (19 U.S.C. 81a-81u), and the regulations of the Board (15 CFR Part 400). It was formally filed on April 21, 1997.

Subzone 143A was approved on March 12, 1996 (Board Order 807, 61 FR 11607, 3/21/96). The subzone currently consists of 3.6 acres (3 buildings, 27,100 sq. ft.) located at 12265, 12329, 12331 Locksley Lane, Auburn, California 95603.

Ceronix is now planning to relocate its manufacturing facilities to a larger site (21 acres) located at 13350 New Airport Road in Auburn. The new site contains one building (59,000 sq. ft.), and up to four additional buildings (111,000 sq. ft.) are planned.

Ceronix is authorized to manufacture and assemble high-resolution color video display monitors for the gaming and recreational industries under zone procedures within Subzone 143A. This proposal does not request any new manufacturing authority under FTZ procedures in terms of products or components, but it does involve a proposed increase in the plant's level of production under FTZ procedures corresponding to the increase in plant size.

In accordance with the Board's regulations (as revised, 56 FR 50790-50808, 10/8/91), a member of the FTZ Staff has been designated examiner to investigate the application and report to the Board.

Public comment (original and 3 copies) is invited from interested parties

(see FTZ Board address below). The closing date for their receipt is July 7, 1997. Rebuttal comments in response to material submitted during the foregoing period may be submitted during the subsequent 15-day period (to July 21, 1997).

A copy of the application and accompanying exhibits will be available for public inspection at each of the following locations:

Office of the Port Director, Sacramento-Yolo Port District, 1251 Beacon Boulevard, Suite 200, West Sacramento, CA 95691.

Office of the Executive Secretary, Foreign-Trade Zones Board, U.S. Department of Commerce, Room 3716, 14th & Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Washington, D.C. 20230.

Dated: April 28, 1997.

John J. Da Ponte, Jr.,

Executive Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Foreign-Trade Zones Board

[Docket 34-97]

Foreign-Trade Zone 138—Columbus, OH; Application for Foreign-Trade Subzone Status; Globe Metallurgical, Inc. (Ferrous Alloys and Silicon Metals); Beverly, OH

An application has been submitted to the Foreign-Trade Zones Board (the Board) by the Rickenbacker Port Authority, grantee of FTZ 138, requesting special-purpose subzone status for the ferrous alloys and silicon metals manufacturing plant of Globe Metallurgical, Inc. (Globe) in Beverly, Ohio. The application was submitted pursuant to the provisions of the Foreign-Trade Zones Act, as amended (19 U.S.C. 81a-81u), and the regulations of the Board (15 CFR part 400). It was formally filed on April 21, 1997.

Globe's plant (235,000 mfg. sq.ft./40 acres) is located at County Road 32 on the Muskingum River, in Beverly (Washington County), Ohio, some 110 miles southeast of Columbus. The facility (153 employees) produces ferrous alloys (primarily magnesium ferrosilicon) and silicon metals. Some of the materials used in the production process are sourced abroad including carbon electrodes, magnesium ingots, calcium silicon, calcium barium, and mischmetals. Foreign materials account for some 30 percent of the value of total materials. Currently, some 13 percent of production is exported.

Globe also plans to source from abroad certain ferrosilicon fines (scrap) to be used in new production of magnesium ferrosilicon alloys for export. On production of magnesium ferrosilicon alloys for the domestic market, the company plans to use domestic ferrosilicon fines.

Zone procedures would exempt Globe from Customs duty payments on foreign materials used in production for export. On domestic shipments of silicon metals, the company would be able to defer Customs duty payments (duty rate—5.8%) until formal Customs entry is made. On domestic shipments of ferrosilicon alloys, the company would be able to choose the duty rate that applies to the finished product (1.5%), instead of the rates otherwise applicable to the foreign materials (duty rates range from 1.9% to 5%). (FTZ regulations require that foreign materials subject to antidumping orders be placed in privileged foreign status upon admission to a zone or subzone (§ 400.33(b)(2)).) The application indicates that the savings from zone procedures will help improve the international competitiveness of the Globe plant and will help increase exports.

In accordance with the Board's regulations, a member of the FTZ Staff has been designated examiner to investigate the application and report to the Board.

Public comment is invited from interested parties. Submissions (original and 3 copies) shall be addressed to the Board's Executive Secretary at the address below. The closing period for their receipt is July 7, 1997. Rebuttal comments in response to material submitted during the foregoing period may be submitted during the subsequent 15-day period (to July 21, 1997).

A copy of the application and accompanying exhibits will be available for public inspection at each of the following locations:

U.S. Department of Commerce Export Assistance Center, 37 North High Street, 4th Floor, Columbus, Ohio 43215.

Office of the Executive Secretary, Foreign-Trade Zones Board, U.S. Department of Commerce, Room 3716, 14th & Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20230.

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